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SUBJ: BORDER TV ISSUE

REF: OTTAWA 4980

1. JOHN SHARPE (DIRECTOR, USA DIVISION, EXTAFF) CALLED
EMBASSY 4:30 P.M. THURSDAY, DECEMBER 23 TO SAY THAT
MESSAGE FROM EXTAFF MINISTER JAMIESON TO SECRETARY
KISSINGER HAD JUST BEEN CLEARED AND WAS BEING PUT ON
WIRE TO CANADIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON. EMBASSY IS BEING
INSTRUCTED TO TELEPHONE DEPARTMENT EVENING DECEMBER 23
UPON RECEIPT OF MESSAGE AND DELIVER LETTER ON TUESDAY,
DECEMBER 27.

2. SHARPE HESITANT TO REVEAL CONTENTS OF LETTER OVER
PHONE AND DID NOT WANT CANADIAN EMBASSY UPSTAGED SO
MERELY WANTED TO GIVE BARE BONES OF LETTER WHICH "SHOULD
PROVIDE FOR SATISFACTORY SOLUTION OF PROBLEM."
IN EFFECT, ACCORDING SHARPE, GOC IS DIRECTLY CRTIC
TO POSTPONE ANY FURTHER IMPLEMENTATION OF COMMERCAIL
DELEGATION "WHILE REVIEW OF CURRENT PRACTICES
AND ALTERNATIVES ARE BEING STUDIED." WORDING
DELIVERATELY VAGUE AND TIMEFRAME EQUIVOCAL, BUT SHARPE
SAID REVIEW MIGHT TAKE "TWO YEARS OR SO."
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